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In re Application of David Sidransky

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## **REMARKS**

Claims 1 and 12 have been amended. Claims 5-6, 13, 15-17, 23 and 27-31 were previously canceled. Subsequent to the entry of the present amendment, claims 1-4, 7-12, 14, 18-22 and 24-26 are pending and at issue.

Claims 1 and 12 have been amended per the suggestion of the Office Action. The semicolon in line 5 of claim 1 should have been maintained and is underlined in the response herein. Claim 12 has been amended by underlining the comma which follows the term, "tumor" in step (a). No new matter has been added.

Please see the response filed May 8, 2006 for Applicants discussion and response to the Office Action mailed January 6, 2006.

In view of the amendments and above remarks, it is submitted that the claims are in condition for allowance, and a notice to that effect is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned representative if there are any questions relating to this application.

No fee is deemed necessary with the filing of this paper. However if any fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, or make any credits, to Deposit Account No. <u>07-1896</u> referencing the above-identified attorney docket number. A copy of the Transmittal Sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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